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herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

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Subject: APT-Satellites: Report FEB 05, 1994
To: ham-space@ucsd.edu

Observed at station 50.7 NLat, 7.1 ELon, FEB 05, 1994

NOAA-9: APT 137.62 On
NOAA-10: APT 137.50 ON again
NOAA-11: APT 137.62 On
NOAA-12: APT 137.50 On
Meteor 2-21: APT 137.85 On (weak)
Meteor 3-3: APT *OFF*

Meteor 3-4: APT *OFF*
Meteor 3-5: APT *OFF*
Meteor 3-6: APT *OFF*

Except for the poor Meteor 2-21 there was *NO* APT from any other Meteor during all available daylight-passes on Feb 05 and Feb 06 136.00 to 137.99 MHz.
VHF-conflict NOAA-10/NOAA-12 ended, NOAA-10 is active again.

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its.csiro.au!dmssydm.syd.dms.@@mvb.saic.com
Subject: Daily IPS Report - 2 Feb 94
To: ham-space@ucsd.edu

IPS RADIO AND SPACE SERVICES AUSTRALIA
Daily Solar And Geophysical Report
Issued at 2330 UT 1 February 1994
Summary for 1 February and Forecast up to 4 February
No warning is current.

1A. SOLAR SUMMARY

Activity: Very low

Flares: None.

Observed 10.7 cm flux/Equivalent Sunspot Number : 094/040

1B. SOLAR FORECAST

	02 February	03 February	04 February
Activity	Very low	Very low	Very low
Fadeouts	None expected	None expected	None expected

Forecast 10.7 cm flux/Equivalent Sunspot Number : 090/034

1C. SOLAR COMMENT

None.

2A. MAGNETIC SUMMARY

Geomagnetic field at Learmonth : quiet

Estimated Indices : A	K	Observed A Index 31 January
Learmonth	06	2222 2212
Fredericksburg	07	08
Planetary	08	07

2B. MAGNETIC FORECAST

DATE	Ap	CONDITIONS
02 Feb	05	Quiet.
03 Feb	05	Quiet.
04 Feb	05	Quiet.

2C. MAGNETIC COMMENT

None.

3A. GLOBAL HF PROPAGATION SUMMARY

LATITUDE BAND

DATE	LOW	MIDDLE	HIGH
01 Feb	normal	normal	normal

PCA Event : None.

3B. GLOBAL HF PROPAGATION FORECAST

LATITUDE BAND

DATE	LOW	MIDDLE	HIGH
02 Feb	normal	normal	normal
03 Feb	normal	normal	normal
04 Feb	normal	normal	normal

3C. GLOBAL HF PROPAGATION COMMENT

Sporadic E may affect F layer communications at middle latitudes.

4A. AUSTRALIAN REGION IONOSPHERIC SUMMARY

MUFs at Sydney were near predicted February values until 09UT, then 15-30% enhanced. Sporadic E may have affected F layer communications around 17 and 18UT.

T index: 61

4B. AUSTRALIAN REGION IONOSPHERIC FORECAST

DATE	T-index	MUFs
02 Feb	70	Near predicted to 30% enhanced.
03 Feb	70	Near predicted to 30% enhanced.

04 Feb 70 Near predicted to 30% enhanced.

Predicted Monthly T Index for February is 30.

4C. AUSTRALIAN REGION COMMENT

F layer communications may be affected by sporadic E at times.

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Subject: Daily IPS Report - 8 Feb 94
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IPS RADIO AND SPACE SERVICES AUSTRALIA
Daily Solar And Geophysical Report
Issued at 2330 UT 7 February 1994
Summary for 7 February and Forecast up to 10 February
IPS Warning 03 was issued on 03 Feb and is current
for interval 7-11 Feb.

1A. SOLAR SUMMARY

Activity: very low

Flares: none.

Observed 10.7 cm flux/Equivalent Sunspot Number : 096/043

1B. SOLAR FORECAST

	08 February	09 February	10 February
Activity	Very low	Very low	Very low
Fadeouts	None expected	None expected	None expected

Forecast 10.7 cm flux/Equivalent Sunspot Number : 097/044

1C. SOLAR COMMENT

None.

2A. MAGNETIC SUMMARY

Geomagnetic field at Learmonth : storm levels during local night.

Estimated Indices : A K Observed A Index 6 February

Learmonth	37	4436 6443	
Fredericksburg	43		39
Planetary	65		57

2B. MAGNETIC FORECAST

DATE	Ap	CONDITIONS
08 Feb	25	Active to minor storm.
09 Feb	20	Active.
10 Feb	20	Active.

2C. MAGNETIC COMMENT

Coronal hole induced magnetic activity continues.

3A. GLOBAL HF PROPAGATION SUMMARY

LATITUDE BAND

DATE	LOW	MIDDLE	HIGH
07 Feb	fair-normal	fair-normal	poor-fair

PCA Event : None.

3B. GLOBAL HF PROPAGATION FORECAST

LATITUDE BAND

DATE	LOW	MIDDLE	HIGH
08 Feb	fair	poor	poor
09 Feb	normal	fair	poor
10 Feb	normal	fair	poor

3C. GLOBAL HF PROPAGATION COMMENT

Magnetic activity continues to degrade HF comms at high and mid lats.

4A. AUSTRALIAN REGION IONOSPHERIC SUMMARY

MUFs at Sydney were 10 to 30% below predicted monthly values

T index: -31

4B. AUSTRALIAN REGION IONOSPHERIC FORECAST

DATE	T-index	MUFs
08 Feb	0	About 20% below predicted monthly values.
09 Feb	20	About 15% below predicted monthly values.
10 Feb	40	About 10% below predicted monthly values.

Predicted Monthly T Index for February is 30.

4C. AUSTRALIAN REGION COMMENT

HF comms were degraded on the 7th due to continuing magnetic activity. Degraded comms are expected until the 11th. Conditions should improve slightly later today.

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Subject: INMARSAT-B service provider
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NMARSAT-B space segment service provider needed urgently.
Please advice.

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olivea!inews.intel.com!scdt!dbraun@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Is a Kenwood TR-9000 any good?
To: ham-space@ucsd.edu

Hello,

I was looking out for a 2M all-mode rig for possible satellite work,
and someone had a Kenwood (actually "Trio") TR-9000 rig for sale.
I know it's an older one, but is this one of the better rigs, or
is it a dog? What do you think they are worth now?

Thanks,

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"There is no human problem which could not be solved if people would simply do as I advise." -- Gore Vidal

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sol.ctr.columbia.edu!destroyer!ncar!csn!hellgate.utah.edu!cc.usu.edu!
sly46@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Please post FAQ
To: ham-space@ucsd.edu

Please post the FAQs.

Thanx,
Markus

Date: 3 Feb 1994 19:39:08 GMT
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cs.utexas.edu!swrinde!elroy.jpl.nasa.gov!news.larc.nasa.gov!nimbus.larc.nasa.gov!
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Subject: Rocket Telemetry using Amateur Radio
To: ham-space@ucsd.edu

Has anyone on this newsgroup ever used a transmitter aboard a high power model rocket to send telemetry to a ground station? The Langley chapter of the National Space Society is going to build a high power rocket with one of the local schools and we would like to get telemetry from the rocket, i.e., altitude, downrange distance, and save the data to a computer file for later analysis. We are also going to modify rawinsonde equipment to obtain meteorological data from the rocket.

Any information on available boards, antennas, computer software, etc. would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks in advance.

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To: ham-space@ucsd.edu

SB SAREX @ AMSAT \$STS-60.008
SAREX Update 2/7 at 01:30 UTC

Since the last update, SAREX has successfully completed another first. At 10:42 UTC on February 6, Sergei Krikalev, U5MIR, initiated contact with a school group at the House of Science and Technology for Youth in Moscow, Russia. This represents the first time a cosmonaut on a U.S. space shuttle has communicated with a group in Russia. Leo Lebutin, UA3CR and Valery Agabekov, UA6HZ were the prime school group coordinators for this contact. During the contact Aleksandr Kaleri, U8MIR, gave Sergei greetings from Russia. Six students were able to ask their questions to the crew on the Space Shuttle Discovery. In addition, several cosmonauts were on hand to hear the communications. The SAREX contact was also broadcast live throughout Russia on HF (80 meters, 40 meters and 20 meters) as well as VHF.

The packet robot on the Space Shuttle Discovery has been quite busy today. At last report, the QSO sequence number was nearing the 2000 mark. Many hams from around the world have reported booming packet radio signals from the Shuttle Discovery.

Those of you who have heard or worked the STS-60 crew and wish to receive a QSL card need to send your signal report and an SASE or an envelope and IRCs to the following address:

STS-60 QSL
Education Activities Division
ARRL
225 Main St
Newington, CT 06111

The official SAREX element set for today will be GSFC-005. This element sent was generated by Ron Parise, WA4SIR of the Goddard Space Flight Center. Gil Carman, WA5NOM reports that the predictions using GSFC-005 differed from GSFC-003 by approximately 2 seconds during orbit 50.

STS-60								
1	22977U	94006A	94 36.28433526	0.00000141	00000-0	54171-5	0	58
2	22977	56.9879	208.1294	0009042	265.9751	94.0283	15.72161107	297

Satellite: STS-60

Catalog number: 22977
Epoch time: 94036.28433526 (05 FEB 94 06:49:26.57 UTC)
Element set: GSFC-005
Inclination: 56.9879 deg
RA of node: 208.1294 deg Space Shuttle Flight STS-60
Eccentricity: 0.0009042 Keplerian Elements
Arg of perigee: 265.9751 deg
Mean anomaly: 94.0283 deg
Mean motion: 15.72161107 rev/day Semi-major Axis: 6730.8539 Km
Decay rate: 0.14E-05 rev/day*2 Apogee Alt: 358.55 Km
Epoch rev: 29 Perigee Alt: 346.38 Km

NOTE - This element set is based on NORAD element set # 005.
The spacecraft has been propagated to the next ascending
node, and the orbit number has been adjusted to bring it
into agreement with the NASA numbering convention.

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The most current orbital elements from the NORAD two-line element sets are carried on the Celestial BBS, (513) *253-9767*, and are updated daily (when possible). Documentation and tracking software are also available on this system. As a service to the satellite user community, the most current elements for the current shuttle mission are provided below. The Celestial BBS may be accessed 24 hours/day at 300, 1200, 2400, 4800, or 9600 bps using 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no parity.

Element sets (also updated daily), shuttle elements, and some documentation and software are also available via anonymous ftp from archive.afit.af.mil (129.92.1.66) in the directory pub/space.

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1 22977U 94006A 94038.25000000 .00000289 00000-0 64918-5 0 91
2 22977 56.9888 199.2915 0009132 272.8919 56.8375 15.72311414 588

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